REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN

OF THE

TOWN OF BRISTOL,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING

MARCH, 1865.

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REPORT.

The Selectmen credit the town for the year ending March, 1865, as follows:

By list of taxes assessed April, 1864,	$6.207 78
cash received on taxes assessed April, 1863,	402 70
cash in the treasury April 1, 1864,	1.654 21
cash received for use of the town house,	3 40
cash received of United States for bounty,	744 00
literary fund,	85 12
cash received for State notes,	5.200 00
State aid to soldiers' families,	1.340 00
Licences,	15 00
Non-resident highway tax,	3 94
School house tax, No. 2,	60 53
	$15.716 68

For individual substitutes—

J. T. Sanborn, S. K. Mason, J. M. Bishop, David Mason, S. W. Swett, Milo Fellows, Woodbury Sleeper, L. W. Fling, G. M. Cavis, W. C. Goodwin, B. L. Wells, D. P. Prescott, M. W. Favor, L. N. Heath, G. W. White, Charles Wells, J. P. Dustin, D. Y. Emmons, and Frederic Kidder, $100 each, $1.900 00

For money hired of—

Mary and George Fellows,	$400 00
Abram D. Locke,	1.100 00
Samuel S. Fellows,	2.500 00
Amanda J. Rollins,	1.000 00
Aaron Sleeper,	1.100 00
B. Q. Fellows,	600 00
E. W. Cheney,	1.200 00
do.	500 00
Orpha Sleeper,	217 00
do.	100 00
Daniel Sleeper,	80 00
Abram D. Locke,	400 00
David Calley,	300 00

C. N. Drake,	140 00	
Ebenezer Kendall,	100 00	
Ira S. Chase,	300 00	
William J. Muzzey,	60 00	
Sarah N. Roby,	100 00	
S. S. Fellows,	300 00	
Mechanicks Bank,	3.000 00	
Moses W. Merrill,	303 00	
Rufus Eaton,	100 00	
David Mason,	800 00	
do.	900 00	
O. F. Morse,	1.440 00	
A. D. Locke,	100 00	
George W. Berry,	60 00	
B. Q. Fellows,	400 00	
David Follansbee,	200 00	
Calvin Cass,	225 00	
Harriet Whittemore,	128 00	
Clark Merrill	100 00	
O. S. Hall,	100 00	
Luther C. Bailey and wife,	150 00	
B. F. Robinson,	275 00	
S. H. Rollins,	200 00	
Woodbury Sleeper,	240 00	
A. D. Locke,	800 00	
Calvin Swett,	325 00	
S. K. Mason,	235 86	
S. K. Mason,	300 00	
F. G. Currier,	1.000 00	
G. W. Dow,	400 00	
		$22.278 86
Whole amount received,		$39.895 54

Disbursements of the Selectmen.

Paid State tax,	$1.340 00	
County tax,	501 50	
		$1.841 50

Abatement of Taxes.

Samuel Smith, 1864,	$4 08
Daniel Blackstone, 1861–2,	4 56
Wm. Wells, 1862,	2 07
D. P. Nelson, 1862,	86

John F. Chase,	1863,	1 50	
H. A. Fellows,	"	2 34	
C. A. Holden,	"	5 75	
Uriah Kidder,	"	7 84	
George W. Manchester,	"	6 09	
Charles Cheney,	"	2 34	
Daniel Blackstone,	"	3 75	
Dana Hadley,	"	3 75	
H. N. Smith,	"	3 75	
L. D. Day,	"	3 75	
L. D. Shepherd,	"	3 75	
Green Tilton,	"	3 75	
Blanchard Clifford,	"	4 75	
Robert Dustin,	"	3 75	
J. S. Roby,	"	3 75	
P. S. Drake,	1864,	7 20	
C. N. Drake,	"	4 04	
			$83 42

School Money.

District No. 1,	$28 41	
2,	259 45	
3,	34 46	
4,	28 88	
5,	31 02	
6,	38 60	
7,	16 36	
8,	44 30	
9,	46 68	
10,	169 96	
11,	68 91	
Caleb Whittemore,	2 75	
		$769 78

Highways and Bridges.

W. H. Folsom,	$15 07
John Bean,	30 70
Samuel H. Rollins,	29 74
Ezekiel Follansbee,	1 75
Samuel Page,	53 41
John Hastings,	62 95
Alpheus Mitchel,	1 75
John F. Vose,	2 00
H. M. Emmons,	17 91
C. H. Horn,	14 50

I. K. George,	6 00	
William Moor,	6 66	
C. A. Gale,	6 99	
T. H. Wicomb,	2 84	
Joseph Kidder,	1 50	
Stephen Wells,	3 80	
L. B. Hoyt,	8 10	
James T. Sanborn,	9 76	
R. B. Rollins,	8 77	
Rufus Page,	7 50	
R. H. Sawyer,	9 00	
		$300 70

Support of the Poor.

Mary Swett,	$74 45	
Mrs. Stephen Bohonon,	51 00	
William Flanders,	77 91	
William Sanborn,	66 88	
Helen Emmons and child,	114 13	
Mrs. Celendia Emmons,	28 00	
		$412 37

Town Officers' Bills.

J. M. Bishop,	$15 00	
Kiah Wells,	50 00	
Samuel Berry,	7 25	
Levi D. Johnson,	30 00	
Levi D. Johnson,	20 00	
		$122 25
Levi Bartlett. Selectman,	$40 00	
time and expense in regulating enrolment,	15 00	
		$55 00
Samuel H. Rollins,	$45 00	
32 days procuring substitutes,	64 00	
expense " "	60 80	
		$169 80
James T. Sanborn,	$61 00	
42 days procuring substitutes,	84 00	
expense " "	68 50	
		$213 50
Expense, four days,	$8 00	
Paid fare and board of men to Lebanon to be examined,	89 55	
Paid George Crawford, to go to Canada to get substitutes,	100 00	
Paid Nason Cass, do.	75 55	
Paid Eugene Danforth, do.	15 00	
Paid D. P. Prescott, for recruiting,	12 50	
		$300 60

Miscellaneous Expenses.

Books and paper,	$12 07	
Town reports,	20 00	
J. Burrows,	17 93	
I. P. Hardy, road damage,	7 00	
J. M. Bishop, school house tax,	52 14	
Loss for counterfeit money,	5 00	
Moses Cheney, land damage,	12 50	
Jos. S. Chase, cost in the Helen Emmons suit, Geo. Prescott,	3 00	
Jos. Kidder, committee on road,	4 00	
George W. Dow,	2 00	
James T. Sanborn, wood,	8 04	
For stamps and exemption papers,	18 87	
		$162 55

Aid to families of Volunteers.

Lucinda Prescott,	$40 00	
Martha T. Randolph,	80 00	
Ermina Swett,	60 00	
Orinda C. Brown,	108 75	
Priscilla Sanders,	132 00	
Thomas E. Osgood,	100 00	
Margaret A. Lancy,	40 00	
Susan B. Howe,	120 00	
Alexander Hutchinson,	40 00	
Clarissa B. Damon,	60 00	
Sara Jaquith,	28 00	
Jennie Hutchinson,	40 00	
Emily Jane Marden,	120 00	
Almira Huse,	24 00	
M. B. Wallace,	8 00	
Ruth P. Simonds,	108 00	
Charles N. Drake,	48 00	
Julia Danforth,	40 00	
Hannah Dustin,	24 00	
Gilman Sanborn,	36 00	
		$1.256 75

Bounties paid to enlisted men and volunteers.

Moses Ash,	$100 00
Benjamin Sanders,	175 00
W. H. Eaton,	100 00
Patrick Reedy,	75 00

C. G. Jenness,	100 00	
L. F. Hoyt.	100 00	
F. W. Belcher,	210 00	
T. E. Peabody,	210 00	
C. H. Marden,	275 00	
H. O. Hill,	275 00	
Stillman Clark,	275 00	
Merrill Simonds,	225 00	
Moses Dustin,	120 00	
Eugene Danforth,	185 00	
Samuel Mann,	200 00	
Charles Gettings,	200 00	
William J. Mallory,	200 00	
Stephen M. Willey,	725 00	
Charles H. Clement,	700 00	
Russel R. Cochrane,	350 00	
Orren Wallace,	300 00	
H. L. Ingalls,	200 00	
S. D. Huse,	200 00	
	———	$5.500 00

Substitutes put in by Sanborn & Rollins.

For J. T. Sanborn,	$975 00	
S. K. Mason,	1.000 00	
S. W. Swett,	1.025 00	
J. M. Bishop,	1.000 00	
J. P. Dustin,	1.000 00	
David Mason,	1.010 00	
Milo Fellows,	975 00	
Woodbury Sleeper,	940 00	
L. W. Fling,	950 00	
O. F. Morse,	600 00	
W. C. Goodwin,	940 00	
B. L. Wells,	1.000 00	
C. W. Wells,	1.000 00	
G. M. Cavis,	1.090 00	
D. P. Prescott,	1.075 00	
M. W. Favor,	1.135 00	
Levi N. Heath,	1.100 00	
G. W. White,	1.100 00	
	———	$17.915 00

On Notes and Debts of the Town.

Clark Merrill, interest,	$3 00	
A. J. Crockett, note,	1.097 10	

David Harris, interest,	24 72	
J. M. R. Emmons, note,	307 65	
J. C. Draper, note,	1.080 16	
Joseph Cass, interest,	57 00	
Levi Roby, interest,	125 00	
S. H. Rollins, note,	204 00	
S. S. Fellows,	2.303 83	
Ira S. Chase,	1.889 55	
Orpha Sleeper,	321 41	
A. D. Locke,	508 25	
G. W. Dow,	402 00	
David C. Sleeper,	228 37	
Sara N. Roby,	50 00	
Interest on bank notes,	31 50	
O. F. Morse,	1.200 00	
S. K. Mason,	244 06	
		$10.077 60

Paid Out.

For State and County taxes,	$1.841 50	
Abatement of taxes,	83 42	
School money,	769 78	
Highways and bridges,	300 70	
Support of the poor,	412 37	
Town officers's bills,	738 90	
Miscellaneous,	162 55	
State aid,	1.256 75	
Volunteers,	5.500 00	
Substitutes,	17.915 00	
On notes,	10.077 60	
		$39.058 56
In collector's hands,		933 00

Estimated Debts of the Town.

F. Bartlett,	$177 36
M. C. Mudgett,	232 19
J. M. R. Emmons,	402 00
William Green,	392 67
Mrs. J. M. Fellows,	212 00
Miss Crawford,	578 74
Levi Bartlett,	637 64
O. P. Gurdy,	520 79
Samuel Smith,	115 73
Joseph Cass,	461 25
M. J., D. P. & A. D. Nelson,	230 34

Jane Bartlett,	921 35
M. W. Haley,	967 35
Horace M. Emmons,	228 09
John Hastings,	385 41
E. W. Cheney,	107 06
J. C. Draper,	1.107 70
David Mason,	1.107 70
Moses Merrill,	53 53
Nathaniel Batchelder,	1.070 60
Levi Nelson,	107 59
Peter Whittemore,	214 12
Hiram Heath,	214 12
John T. Whittemore,	107 06
Levi Roby,	2.517 19
Amos Brown,	898 99
Gustavus Bartlett,	1.062 65
John F. Cass,	230 34
[illegible]. B. Fowler,	205 00
C. N. Drake,	173 34
H. W. Drake,	231 08
D. S. Hutchinson,	231 08
H. A. Fellows,	109 00
Amos Damon,	231 08
Oliver P. Hall,	213 06
Oliver S. Hall,	213 06
Mary Jane Fellows,	210 00
George M. Fellows,	210 00
Eben Kendall,	104 00
S. S. Fellows,	587 00
Amanda J. Rollins,	1.035 00
Aaron Sleeper,	1.138 00
B. Q. Fellows,	621 00
E. W. Cheney,	1.240 00
E. W. Cheney,	516 35
Daniel Sleeper,	82 60
David Calley,	310 50
C. N. Drake,	144 90
Ebenezer Kendall,	103 50
Wm. J. Muzzey,	61 95
Moses W. Merrill,	312 59
Rufus Eaton,	103 25
David Mason,	825 00
David Mason,	928 00
George W. Berry,	61 80
B. Q. Fellows,	412 00
David S. Follansbee,	206 00
Calvin Cass,	231 62

Harriet Whittemore,	130 56	
Clark Merrill,	102 00	
O. S. Hall,	102 00	
Luther C. Bailey,	50 88	
Mrs. J. Bailey,	101 75	
B. F. Robinson,	279 77	
Calvin Swett,	334 75	
Woodbury Sleeper,	244 20	
A. D. Locke,	825 33	
S. K. Mason,	301 50	
J. G. Currier,	1.000 00	
O. F. Morse,	274 40	
Cynthia Peaslee,	505 00	
Mechanicks Bank,	1.735 00	
		$32.300 46
Due D. Y. Emmons and F. Kidder,		200 00
Unpaid order,		400 00
		$32.900 46

Due the town.

From New Hampshire,	$500 00	
United States,	3.006 00	
Collector,	933 00	
		$4.439 00
Balance against the town,		$28.461 46
From the State, aid to families,		1.266 75
		$27.204 71
Also a demand against O. F. Fowler, which he refuses to pay, of		$25 00

LEVI BARTLETT, } *Selectmen*
JAMES T. SANBORN, } *of Bristol.*

March 4, 1865.

Superintending School Committee's Report.

In compliance with the requirements of law, the Superintending School Committee submits the following

REPORT:

DISTRICT NO. 1.

A fall term of 10 weeks was taught by Miss Mary E. Patten. At my first visit the school appeared well, and the teacher seemed interested in, and well qualified for the duties of the school room. The closing examination was prevented by the illness of the teacher, but I learn the school was decidedly successful.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

I found this school in session, at the time of my appointment as committee, in charge of Miss Helen S. Locke. This was Miss Locke's third successive term in the same district, and she well sustained her previous reputation of being a thorough and accomplished teacher.

The second term was commenced by Miss Narcissa T. Nutter, who remained but a short time in consequence of the illness and death of a sister. The remainder of the term was taught by Miss Sara M. C. Musgrove. The order was good, and the improvement satisfactory.

Miss Nutter was employed for the third term, but she did not succeed in maintaining good order. I dismissed the scholar who was the most troublesome, but that did not remedy the difficulty. The teacher tried hard but lacked the power to govern so difficult a school. She was sick and left the school at the end of the seventh week, without notifying me of its close. Consequently there was no closing examination, and I am unable to speak of the advancement made.

The fourth term was taught by Miss Sara M. C. Musgrove, who soon brought order out of chaos, and she succeeded in her determination to make this one of the very best schools in town. The advancement was rapid and the instruction thorough. The town needs the services of more such teachers.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

The summer term of 8 weeks, and the fall term of 7½ weeks, were taught by Miss Julia A. Wallace. The same teacher was employed dur-

ing the preceeding year, and no time was lost in becoming acquainted with the want and requirements of the school, as is necessarily the case with a new teacher. The school was well conducted in every respect, and no school in town, passed a better examination than this at the close of the fall term.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

A summer term of 7 weeks. The teacher, Miss Angie M. Yeaton, had taught the same school during the preceeding year with good success, and I think the district acted wisely in securing her services again. The frequent change of teachers is an evil in our schools which ought to be remedied. I found here a good teacher, a school house, of which the district may justly be proud, good scholars, and in fact all the elements of a good school. I hardly need say that this was one of the best schools in town.

Miss Addie H. Emmons taught the winter term. I will only sav that the previous good reputation of the teacher and of the school, was fully sustained.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

One term of 9 weeks was taught by Miss Josephine Moore. Some of the closing exercises, especially the recitation of Scripture, were very creditable; but as a whole the school did not equal my expectations. The order was not as good nor the instruction as thorough as the great experience and high reputation of the teacher, had led me to expect.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

The summer term of 6 weeks, was taught by Miss M. Frances Stewart. This was her first experience as a teacher, but she succeeded well. The school was orderly, and the improvement all that could be expected in so short a term. Miss Stewart is enthusiastic in her vocation, and experience will make her an excellent teacher.

The winter term was taught by Miss Nella T. Burleigh. The order was good, the instruction thorough, and the closing examination showed good advancement in the branches taught.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

The sum total of schooling in this district for the year, was one term of 4 weeks, taught by Miss Anna M. Mitchell. I was not notified of the time it closed, and consequently visited the school but once.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

One term, taught by Miss Emma A. Sibley. There was some trouble in this school near the close of the term, but as I was not called upon by either party to investigate the matter, I cannot speak from personal knowledge in regard to it. But if I am not misinformed in regard to the facts, the trouble was caused more by ill feeling between some of the parents, than by any fault on the part of the teacher. One party seeking to prejudice the teacher against some of the scholars, and the other by not sustaining the teacher, in her efforts to maintain good order. It is an old and true maxim that the parents rule the school. The scholars who remained during the term, made good improvement.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

The summer term was taught by Miss Mary A. Locke. This was her first school, but she succeeded in making it pleasant and profitable.

Miss Sarah G. Sumner taught the winter school. This was a good school, one of the best that I have visited during the year.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

The summer term was taught by Miss Addie C. Leavitt, a teacher of much experience. She worked hard, but did not succeed in giving entire satisfaction, still the order was quite good, and some improvement was manifested.

The second term was taught by Miss Hattie E. Darling. Miss Darling stands deservedly high as a teacher. The order was excellent, and thorough progress was made.

The third term by the same teacher, was not quite so successful. This was due in part to the teacher's putting the school in charge of another teacher for a few days while she was absent in consequence of illness. Several of the larger scholars absented themselves from the closing examination which detracted very much from its interest.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

The summer and winter schools were both taught by Miss Emma H. Dolloff, who was without any previous experience as a teacher. She succeeded well. The order was good, the instruction thorough, and improvement was made each term.

LEVI D. JOHNSON, *Superintending School Committee.*

BRISTOL, March 7, 1865.

SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Districts.	Teachers.	Terms of school.	Weeks of school.	Whole number of scholars.	No. each term.	Average attendance.	Wages of teachers per month, including board.	Amount of money for each district.	Proportion to each scholar.	No. visits by S. S. Committee.	No. of visits by Prud. Committee.	No. visits by others.
1	Mary E. Patten	1	10	13	13	10	12	28 41	2 19	1		
2	Helen S. Locke	1	9		34	28	20			2	1	15
	Narcissa Y. Nutter	2	7	75	49	41	22	180 68	2 41	3	1	21
	Sara M. C. Musgrove											
	Narcissa Y. Nutter	3	7		41	31	22			4	1	
	Sara M. C. Musgrove	4	11		55	48	26			2	3	12
3	Julia A. Wallace	1	8	20	19	16	17	34 46	1 72	2		9
	Julia A. Wallace	2	7 1-2		20	16	17			2	1	9
4	Angie M. Yeaton	1	7	16	14	12	14	28 88	1 80	2		6
	Addie H. Emmons	2	7 1-2		15	14	14			2		5
5	Josephine Moore	1	9	9	9	8	12	31 02	3 44	2		6
6	M. Frances Stewart	1	6	22	17	13	14	38 60	1 75	2		20
	Nella T. Burleigh	2	12		21	19	15			2		21
7	Anna M. Mitchell	1	4	10	10	9	17	16 36	1 64	1	1	5
8	Emma A. Sibley	1	8 1-2	21	21	17	18 40	44 30	2 11	2	1	14
9	Mary A. Locke	1	6	22	14	11	11 80	46 68	2 12	2		5
	Sarah G. Sumner	2	9		19	17	14			2	1	14
10	Addie C. Leavitt	1	8		45	39	20			2		12
	Hattie E. Darling	2	6	62	40	35	20	169 94	2 75	2		5
	Hattie E. Darling	3	11		49	43	20			4	1	9
11	Emma H. Dolloff	1	8	20	18	13	12	68 91	3 44	2		10
	Emma H. Dolloff	2	13		15	10	12			2		6

No. of scholars between 4 and 14 years of age not attending school, 304